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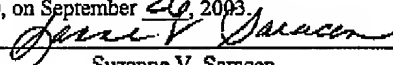
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Filed : 11/08/2001  
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Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

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Dear Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 23, 2003. Enclosed is a resubmitted "Amendment to the Claims" section of applicants' amendment document.

No fee is believed to be due for this response. Should any fees be required, however, please charge the required fees to Bausch & Lomb's Deposit Account No. 02-1425.

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